

# Remember



# Attendance Matters

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Very Good		Cause for Concern		Causing Serious Concern	
<p>The effect of absence on School Progress</p> <p>A whole calendar year has 365 days                      A school year has only 190 days                      This leaves:                      175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and other appointments.</p>					
No absence	10 days absence	19 days absence	29 days absence	38 days absence	47 days absence
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
<p><b>Very Good</b>                      Best chance to succeed.                      Gets your child off to a flying start.</p>		<p><b>Cause for Concern</b>                      Less chance of success.                      Makes it harder for your child to progress.                      Chance of involvement from Educational Welfare Team.</p>		<p><b>Serious Concern</b>                      Your child will find it very difficult to make progress.                      May result in court action and involvement from other agencies.</p>	
<p><b>90% is the threshold set by the government for Persistent Absence</b></p>					

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1 or 2 days a week may not seem much but .....

If your child misses ...	That equals ...	Which is ...	And over 13 years of schooling that's ...
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	nearly 1 ½ years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	over 2 ½ years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	nearly 8 years

How about 10 minutes late a day? Surely that won't affect my child?

If your child misses ...	That equals ...	Which is ...	And over 13 years of schooling that's ...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	nearly 1 ½ weeks per year	nearly ½ a year
20 minutes per day	1hr 40 minutes per week	over 2 ½ weeks per year	nearly 1 year
30 minutes per day	half a day per week	4 weeks per year	nearly 1 ½ years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	over 2 ½ years

## Every Day Counts

If you want your child to be successful at school then  
YES, attendance does matter!